



## **H.Con.Res. 79 - Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby**

### **Floor Situation**

H.Con.Res. 79 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Steny Hoyer (D-MD) on March 5, 2007, and was ordered to be reported from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, by voice vote, on May 8, 2007.

H.Con.Res. 79 is expected to be considered by the House of Representatives on Tuesday, May 15, 2007.

*\*Note: In the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress, the House of Representatives passed similar legislation twice via voice vote (H.Con.Res. 349 and H.Con.Res.86).*

### **Summary**

H.Con.Res. 79 resolves that the House of Representatives, with the Senate concurring, authorizes the Capitol Grounds to be used for the 66<sup>th</sup> running of the Greater Washington Soap Box Derby. The derby will take place on June 16, 2007.

### **Background**

The Greater Washington Soap Box Derby is a qualifying race for the All American Soap Box Derby (AASBD). 2007 will mark the 70<sup>th</sup> running of the AASBD. The finals are held in Akron, Ohio on July 21, 2007, with the winner being awarded a \$5,000 scholarship. The competition is open for ages ranging from 8-17 years old in different divisions. Anyone in the area can participate in the race, as long as they comply with AASBD regulations.

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